



FUN AND FAST FACTS ABOUT THE WILD CENTER

- The Wild Center is home to over more than 900 live animals including lake fish, porcupines, ravens and of course, four otters!
- The Wild Center is the only place *in the world* where you can see the award-winning 'A Matter of Degrees', narrated by Sigourney Weaver, and learn about the true history of the Adirondacks in a wide-screen theater.
- The Adirondacks, where The Wild Center is located, is bigger than Yosemite, Glacier, Grand Canyon, Yellowstone and Great Smokey National Parks combined.
- You can get free use of snowshoes with admission to The Wild Center (snow permitting!).
- The Wild Center was designed by the same firm who designed the National Air and Space Museum on the Mall in Washington, DC and its companion museum near Dulles Airport.
- The Wild Center uses all of the Adirondacks as its collection - from the summit of Whiteface Mountain to the gentle Raquette River. The Wild Center interprets all 6 million acres of the Adirondacks.
- Around 10 percent of the Center's power comes from solar panels on the roof of the BioBuilding. The rest of the electrical power is generated by Niagara Falls.
- The Wild Center has special events happening EVERY DAY that it's open! With animal encounters and naturalist-led walks through the 115 acre grounds there is always something happening!
- Each year almost 30,000 children including students from nearly 100 different schools visit The Wild Center.
- At the time of construction, The Wild Center was the first, and only, LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) certified museum, with a Silver distinction, in the State of New York. There are fewer than a dozen Silver Certified projects in the entire state.
- The original 31-acre site of the Center was donated by the school district voters of Tupper Lake. An additional 50 acres was donated to bring the entire campus to 81 acres and in 2017 another 34 acres was donated, bringing the campus to 115 acres.
- Through its alternative sources of energy The Wild Center purchased over 700,000 kilowatt-hours of renewable energy credits which directly relates to the elimination of 685,000 pounds of carbon dioxide emissions or the equivalent of taking 60 cars off the road or planting 90 acres of trees.
- Over 5,000 celebrated the opening of The Wild Center on July 4th, 2006 including Senator Hillary Rodham Clinton, Governor George Pataki and original Woodstock opener, Richie Havens.
- On opening day, over 5,000 1 inch fish were released in the man-made pond, the Adirondack's newest body of water.
- The four otters who call The Wild Center home LOVE bloodsicles (a mixture of blood and water) as their special treat!
- The Wild Center eclipsed its five-year single day projected peak visitation on ten different days in its first 60 days of operation.
- The Wild Center welcomed its one millionth visitor in July 2017.